

## Cold Weather Emergency Plan

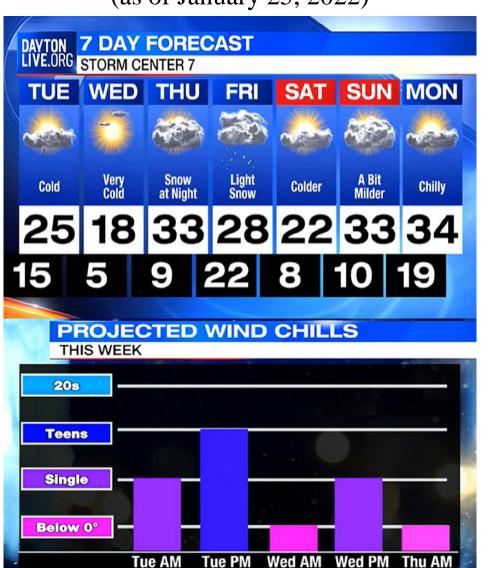
• GOAL: <u>IMPLEMENT A COORDINATED RESPONSE</u>
<u>TO PREVENT HARM FROM SEVERE WEATHER</u>
<u>CONDITIONS</u>

• The City of Dayton will follow best practice guidelines set in place by Montgomery County EMA, Red Cross, and Public Health Dayton & Montgomery County



### Current Weather Forecast

(as of January 25, 2022)





## City's Weather Emergency Plan

- If the weather is expected to be below 10 degrees and or dangerous wind chill temperature index is forecasted, the Emergency Planner will recommend to the City Manager that the Cold Weather Emergency Plan is activated
- When the Cold Weather Emergency Plan is activated, the Emergency Planner disseminates and coordinates with the recreation centers, shelters, and outside agencies to ensure the citizens of Dayton are protected from the elements



## Cold Weather Response

- Response to severe weather will be handled with a tiered system:
  - Tier 1 Encourage citizens needing assistance to seek shelter with friends and relatives
    - City of Dayton Recreation Centers are available as warming shelters during normal business hours 08:00 am- 09:00 pm
      - » Greater Dayton Recreation Center (GDRC) 2021 West 3rd Street
      - » Northwest Recreation Center 1600 Princeton Drive
      - » Lohrey Recreation Center 2366 Glenarm Avenue



## Cold Weather Response

- Tier 2 Encourage citizens to seek shelter with friends and relatives, and then Dayton Recreation Centers during the day and area shelters at night
- For sheltering/warming AFTER the City of Dayton Recreation Centers' normal hours of operation, citizens should be directed to contact their friends and/or family (preferred option) or directed to shelter accordingly
- St. Vincent DePaul Shelter Facility:
  - Women and Families: 120 West Apple Street
     Phone: (937) 461-7837
  - Men: 1921 S. Gettysburg Ave.

Phone: (937) 222-7350



### Cold Weather Response

- Tier 3 will be implemented with extreme cold temperatures, power outages, and significant number of people needing warming assistance
  - City of Dayton Recreation Centers will extend operations overnight if:
    - Extreme cold temperatures below 10\*F with a loss of power
    - Area Shelters at their capacity
    - Priority will be given to those less than 8 years old or greater than 75 years old



# Overnight Recreation Center Operations

- If a City of Dayton Recreation Center is opened overnight, the following staff will be utilized:
  - Recreation and Youth Services to open and operate the facility
  - Dayton Fire Department (certified EMT) to screen citizens for medical needs and COVID precautions
  - Dayton Police as needed to assist with operations and security
  - Red Cross to provide cots and associated supplies
  - Public Health Dayton & Montgomery County



#### **COVID Precautions**

- Shelters will follow standard COVID precautions:
  - KN95 masks are available
  - Disinfectant Material (wipes, etc.)
  - Hand sanitizer
  - Plan for maximizing social distancing as practical





## Community Meal Sites

- House of Bread Community Kitchen 9 Orth Ave.
  - Hours: Open at 08:00 am-04:00 pm Lunch 11:00-1:00
  - Phone: (937) 226-1520
- Life Enrichment Center 425 N. Findlay St.
  - Hours: Warm meals served on Tues., Wed. and Thurs. from 9am - 9:45am. Building opens at 8 am
  - Phone: (937) 252-5700
- Gospel Mission 64 Burns Ave.
  - Hours: Sundays at 2 pm; Mon., Wed., & Fri. & Sat. at 12 pm (closed the 3rd Sat of every month); Tues/Thurs at 5:30 pm. Opens earlier during cold weather
  - Phone: (937) 223-4513

#### Red Cross Services

- Financial Assistance from the Red Cross may be considered if:
  - Temperature is below 10\*F
  - Age and health of the clients
  - Duration of heat loss
  - Number of families involved
  - Carbon Monoxide exposure





# Cold Weather Emergency Safety Measures

- Use of open flames and/or cooking equipment (stove, oven, etc.) to heat a residence is very dangerous and not recommended
- Install / Check Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors
- Safe use of space heaters and kerosene heaters (minimum 3 feet clearance surrounding any heaters)
- Use of generators ensure they are only utilized in wellventilated locations outside and at least 5 feet away from all openings, with exhaust pointed away from the residence
- Propane and Charcoal Grills should not be utilized indoors for heating or cooking operations

## Questions

